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Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on March 30, 2006. Applicants are entitled to small entity status. The undersigned thus respectfully requests a refund in the amount of \$675.00 representing one-half of the fees submitted at the time this application was filed. The Commissioner is authorized to credit such refund to our Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

Should any questions arise concerning this matter, the undersigned respectfully requests that he be contacted at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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